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GERMANY.

Report from Berlin—Plague and smallpox in various countries.

BERLIN, November 26, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report from information obtained from the imperial health office:

In Glasgow no further cases of plague occurred during the first week in November.

In Alexandria, Egypt, 2 new cases of plague were reported.

In the Presidency of Bombay there occurred during the week ended October 19, 1,851 cases of plague (1,358 deaths), that is to say, 133 (141) less than in the previous week.

In the city of Bombay there were during the week ended October 20 148 new cases and 74 deaths, in addition to which there occurred 229 deaths suspected to have been caused by plague. The total number of deaths there during this period was 885, that is to say, 13 less than in the previous week.

In Penang on October 9, 2 cases of suspected plague were reported, both of which ended fatally on the 10th. Although plague bacilli were not found, the colonial physician was of the opinion that they were plague cases, and precautionary measures were taken accordingly. Up to October 16 no further cases of this disease were noted.

CAPE COLONY.—According to a communication dated November 16, 8 cases of plague have been officially reported in the district of King Williams Town.

QUEENSLAND.—According to the weekly report of the central sanitary authorities at Brisbane, dated October 1, there occurred a case of plague in the district of Charters Towers, 82 miles distant from Townsville, on September 29.

VICTORIA.—In an official letter dated October 4, the health authorities at Melbourne declared that since June 5, this year, no further case of plague has occurred in the colony of Victoria.

Smallpox in Spain.—In Bilbao, where smallpox has raged violently for many years, this disease has been spreading alarmingly since the middle of May this year. Up to September 30 there are said to have been 1,038 cases of smallpox and deaths among a population of about 74,500. A compulsory report by the physicians has now been introduced by royal order, but is said to be neglected, so that concealment of cases of such diseases may take place.

Cholera in British India.—In Calcutta, during the period from October 7 to October 13, 56 persons died of cholera.

Respectfully,

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MEXICO.

Report from Vera Cruz.

VERA CRUZ, MEXICO, December 2, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report for the week ended December 1:

From yellow fever there were 10 cases and 2 deaths, and 39 deaths from all causes. There have been no cases or deaths reported from small-